



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Kazuaki SAIKI et al.

Group Art Unit: 2877

Application No.: 09/372,343

Examiner: H. Lee

Filed: August 11, 1999

Docket No.: 113649

For: STAGE DEVICE HAVING DRIVE MECHANISM FOR DRIVING A MOVABLE
STAGE, AND EXPOSURE APPARATUS AND METHOD OF DETECTING
POSITION OF THE STAGE (AS AMENDED)

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the May 21, 2003 Office Action, the shortened statutory period for reply
being extended by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, please consider the following:

Amendments to the Specification;

Amendments to the Claims as reflected in the listing of claims; and

Remarks.

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